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[BTFC Brain Tumour Research Studentship](#)

Deadline: Jan 16, 2015

Brain Tumour Foundation of Canada (BTFC) is seeking outstanding MD or science undergraduate students to apply for a Brain Tumour Research Studentship for studies to be conducted in Canada. This opportunity will allow students to become more familiar with the brain tumour research field and its research methods. Successful applicants will receive \$10,000 over two years (\$5,000 per summer). Funding will be granted for students working on projects in June, July and August 2015 and June, July and August 2016. Eligibility: MD students must currently be in their first year at a Canadian medical school. Undergraduate science students must currently be in their first, second or third year of study of a four-year Bachelor of Science degree at a Canadian post-secondary institution. Students must be working on a brain tumour research project.

For additional information including application guidelines and instructions see the website (hyperlinked above).

[Canadian Association of Gastroenterology Summer Studentships](#)

Deadline: January 31, 2015

These scholarships are designed to provide short-term financial support for undergraduates students (without a prior degree) who wish to obtain introductory training in research in the field of Gastroenterology. The successful candidate will be expected to work full time on a research project under the supervision of a qualified investigator for ~ 4 months (May-August); the stipend is \$5,000. The supervisor must be a member, in good standing, of the CAG. The applicant must be enrolled in an undergraduate program at the time of the award; applicants who have completed an undergraduate degree, or will graduate before undertaking this award, are not eligible. Applicants must be Canadian citizens or permanent residents. Visit the website (hyperlinked above) for full application guidelines.

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[3M National Student Fellowship](#)

Deadline: Jan 12, 2015 (to VP of students earlier for approval)

The 3M National Student Fellowship honours undergraduate students at Canadian institutions who have demonstrated outstanding leadership in their lives and at their college or university. MD students who have not completed a prior degree may be eligible – but must complete their applications carefully to make their eligibility clear to the adjudication committee.

Awardees will receive an award of \$5,000 to be spent at their discretion and will be invited to attend the annual conference of the Society for Teaching and Learning in Higher Education (STLHE), where they will also participate in a 3M National Student Fellowship Program retreat. Awardees will receive a contribution towards their cost of travel to and accommodation during the conference. While at the conference, they will have the opportunity to develop a cross-Canadian collaborative project with other award winners with the goal of enhancing teaching and learning at the post-secondary level.

Eligibility: enrolled full-time in a post-secondary undergraduate diploma or degree program at a Canadian institution; enrolled in your first undergraduate program, neither in your first year nor your final year of your program. For additional eligibility criteria and application instructions please visit the website (hyperlinked above). The application process for these awards is extensive and requires that the Vice President, Students review the completed package. Please contact the [VP students office](#) to confirm their internal deadline. MD and Faculty of Medicine students can contact the FoM Student Research Coordinator if they require assistance obtaining signatures (med.studentresearch@ubc.ca). Please contact as far in advance of the deadline as possible as obtaining signatures can take several weeks.

Funding Reminders

[CHS Summer Studentships in Inherited Bleeding Disorders Research](#) – Nov 14, 2014 ** mailed**

[CSNS/CNS Medical Student Summer Fellowship in Socioeconomic Research](#) – Dec 1, 2014

[CurePSP Student Fellowships \(for Research on Progressive Supranuclear Palsy\)](#) – Dec 31, 2014

[American Pediatric Society & Society for Pediatric Research Student Research Program](#) – Jan 23, 2015

[RHRSN BC Conference Travel Bursary application](#) – ongoing

For additional funding opportunities visit: <http://med.ubc.ca/current-learners/research/funding/>.

Upcoming Events

[UBC Faculty of Medicine, Department of Medicine – Research Expo](#)

Date: Nov 12, 2014; 1-4:30pm

Location: Paetzold Auditorium, Jim Pattison North, VGH (890 West 12th Avenue, Vancouver)

The Department of Medicine is holding their 3rd Annual Research Expo on Wednesday November 12th from 1:00 – 4:30 pm. This is an open event and any interested individuals are encouraged to attend. Students and trainees may present a poster or share a technology demo. Follow the hyperlink above for program details and registration information.

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[UBC Neglected Global Diseases Initiative – Ebola Symposium for Treatment and Action](#)

Date: Nov 13, 2014; 1-5:30 pm, reception following

Location: London Drugs Theatre, Pharmaceutical Sciences, 2304 Wesbrook Mall, Vancouver BC

There are presently three Canadian contributions to potential therapeutics and vaccines for the Ebola Virus Disease that are being fast-tracked through clinical trials. Two of these are TKM-Ebola and ZMapp. Our two keynote speakers will discuss the science behind these interventions. Our expert panel members will present and discuss on a wide-range of topics about Ebola: public health, methods of fast-tracking clinical trials, infection control and working in the field. More speakers may be added soon... Reserve your ticket now.

Keynote Presentations of Canada's contributions:

Dr. Ian MacLachlan Executive Vice President and Chief Technical Officer, Tekmira Pharmaceuticals Corporation

Dr. Xiangguo Qiu Head of Serology Diagnostics Unit in Special Pathogens, National Microbiology Laboratories, Public Health Agency of Canada

Expert Panel Presentations

Jan Hajek, MD FRCPC Clinical Assistant Professor, Division Infectious Diseases, Department of Medicine, Faculty of Medicine, UBC

Bonnie Henry, MD MPH Deputy Provincial Health Officer, British Columbia Ministry of Health; Associate Professor, School of Population and Public Health, Faculty of Medicine, UBC

Titus Wong, BScPharm MD FRCPC, Medical Microbiology and Infection Control, VGH Department of Pathology and Laboratory Medicine, Faculty of Medicine, UBC

Steve Kanters, PhD(c) MSc Research Associate, Centre for Clinical Epidemiology and Evaluation; and Research Manager and Statistician, Global Evaluative Sciences

Srinivas Murthy, MD Clinical Assistant Professor, Div of Critical Care, Pediatrics, Faculty of Medicine, UBC

For questions please contact Jocelyn at jocelyn.conway@ubc.ca. RSVP: <http://ngdi-ubc-ebola.eventbrite.ca>

[Clinician Researcher Panel](#)

Date: Nov 12, 2014 5:30 pm (reception) 6:00 pm panel start

Location: UBC Centre for Brain Health lecture theatre, [2215 Wesbrook Mall](#), VC to MSB 210, NHSC 9-370, & RHS 129

Not sure how research can play a role in your clinical career? Have questions about how to incorporate research into your medical training and future clinical practice? Panelists will discuss how they got into research, how it impacts their career, and when/how they incorporated research at different stages of their career. This will be an interactive discussion with lots of time for audience questions. **Refreshments will be provided at the host site from 5:30-6:00.** This event is aimed at MD students but pre-med and other interested non-MD students are very welcome to attend.

[Dr. John Boyd](#), MD. Assistant Professor, Dept. of Medicine, UBC; UBC James Hogg Research Centre

[Dr. Richard Cohen](#), MD. Clinical Assistant Professor, Dept. of Medicine, UBC

[Dr. Dawn DeWitt](#), MSc, MD. Professor, Dept. of Medicine, UBC

[Dr. Ruth Martin](#), MD, MPH. Clinical Professor; Dept. of Family Practice & School of Population and Public Health, UBC; Director, Collaborating Centre for Prison Health and Education SIFP

[Dr. Keith Walley](#), MD. Professor, Dept. of Medicine, UBC; Assistant Head/Basic Research, Department of Medicine, St. Paul's Hospital; UBC James Hogg Research Centre

RSVP by Nov 9th: <http://www.surveyfeedback.ca/surveys/wsb.dll/s/1g3a1f>

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[MD Student Workshop: Practical Tips and Tools for Successful Research Projects](#)

Date: November 15, 2014 10:00 am – 2:00 pm (Saturday)

Location: LSC 1312, videoconference to MSB 131, NHSC 9-370, and RHS 227

Are you unsure how to get started in research? Are you already working on a research project and have questions? This interactive session will provide an introduction to research methods and practices, study design, statistics and research communication and will be of interest to all MD students wishing to get involved in summer or longitudinal research projects. Attendees are encouraged to bring both general questions as well as specific questions related to any in progress projects as **there will be time to discuss individual projects in small groups** (e.g. how to translate your data into a poster or presentation format). **Lunch will be provided to those who RSVP.** This workshop is open to UBC MD students.

Introduction to Research

[Dr. Anita Palepu](#), MD, MPH. Professor, Dept. of Medicine, Division of General Internal Medicine, UBC

[Dr. Rose Hatala](#), MD, MSc. Associate Professor, Dept. of Medicine, Division of General Internal Medicine, UBC

Basics of Research and Research Design

[Dr. Julianna Caon](#), MD. Clinical Educator Fellow, Centre for Health Education Scholarship, UBC

[Dr. Jeremy Hirota](#), PhD. Assistant Professor, Dept. of Medicine, Division of Respiratory Medicine, UBC

Statistical Considerations for Sound Study Design

[Dr. Beth Snow](#), PhD, CE, MBA. Programme Evaluation Lead, Centre for Health Evaluation and Outcome Sciences; Adjunct Professor, Faculty of Health Sciences, SFU.

Research Communication

Dr. Dawn Cooper, PhD. Instructor, Dept. of Cellular and Physiological Sciences, UBC

Linda Herbert, MSc. Student Research Coordinator, Faculty of Medicine, UBC

RSVP by Nov 9th: <http://www.surveyfeedback.ca/surveys/wsb.dll/s/1g3a1f>

[LSI Public Talks: Drugs, Diet and Genes. Personal Approaches to Treat Diabetes and Obesity](#)

Date: Nov 26, 2014; 6:00-8:00 pm

Location: Alice MacKay Room, Lower Level, Vancouver Public Library

Learn about the link between obesity and diabetes, current treatment options for type 2 diabetes and how genetics and personalized medicine will inform better treatments in the near future.

Moderator: Timothy Kieffer, PhD; Group Leader and Professor, UBC LSI Diabetes Research Group; Depts of Cellular & Physiological Sciences and Surgery; Canadian Diabetes Association Scholar

Insulin – The good, the bad and the complicated

Jim Johnson, PhD; Associate Professor, UBC LSI Diabetes Research Group; Dept of Cellular & Physiological Sciences

Do these genes make me fat?

Susanne Clee, PhD; Assistant Professor, UBC LSI Diabetes Research Group; Dept of Cellular & Physiological Sciences

New drugs in diabetes

Tom Elliott, MD; Medical Director, bcdiabetes.ca; Associate Professor of Medicine, UBC

Diabetes management – How do I do what my doctor asked me to do?

Gerri Klein, RN, MSN; Certified Diabetes Educator, bcdiabetes.ca

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[Traumatic Brain Injury and Concussion](#)

Date: Nov 27, 2014; 6:00 pm

Location: Paetzhold Lecture Theatre - Jim Pattison Pavillion - VGH

Talks take place monthly at Vancouver General Hospital. The speakers begin presenting at 6 pm, and after the talk, wine and cheese are complimentary in a casual setting.

Speakers: [Dr. Naznin Virji-Babul](#), [Dr. Cheryl Wellington](#), [Dr. William Panenka](#)

RSVP required via the website (hyperlinked above)

Event Reminders

CONFERENCE: [Centre for Blood Research – The Earl W. Davie Symposium](#) – Nov 13, 2014

[MD/PhD “Building Bridges” Seminar Series](#) – Dr. Adeera Levin – Nov 17, 2014; 6:00 -7:00 pm

CONFERENCE: [Quality Forum 2015 - Call for Abstracts](#) – Feb 18-20, 2015

[Clinical Research Ethics Board Office Drop-In Sessions](#) – Every 2nd & 4th Monday of the month

For additional event listing visit: <http://med.ubc.ca/current-learners/research/events/>.

Additional Research and Scholarship Opportunities & Resources

[BrowZine: New Journal Browsing App](#)

If you prefer to browse journals on your tablet or phone – you’re in luck! UBC Library has recently launched a subscription to BrowZine, a downloadable app that allows you to browse and read Library scholarly journals from your Android and iOS devices.

Using the app, Library users can:

- Browse journals by subject, easily review tables of contents, and download full articles
- Add journals to your personal bookshelf and be notified when new articles are published
- Save articles for off-line reading or export to services such as DropBox, Mendeley, RefWorks, Zotero, Papers and more

Detailed instructions, such as how to enter your school and CWL, and how to use the app for the first time can be found on the Library’s eResources blog (hyperlinked above).

Reminders

[Opportunity to Pilot Distributed Health Research Methods Course](#) (see Aug. 29th edition for details)

Additional research and scholarship information and resources are available on the Student Research website:

<http://med.ubc.ca/current-learners/research/>.
